

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

**Claims 1-9 (canceled)**

10. **(Currently Amended)** A non-dusting homogeneous pigment composition, which comprises:
- $\geq 40\%$  ~~50%~~ by weight of one or more effect pigments,
  - $0.5 - \del{59.5\%} 49.5\%$  by weight of a styrene-modified polyacrylate having an acid number  $> 90$  mg KOH/g,
  - $0.5 - \del{50\%} 49.5\%$  by weight of water and/or an organic solvent or solvent mixture,
  - $0 - 10\%$  by weight of a neutralizing agent, and
  - $0 - 10\%$  by weight of a modifying agent.
11. **(Previously presented)** A non-dusting homogeneous pigment composition according to Claim 10, wherein the effect pigment is a pearl luster pigment and/or an  $\text{SiO}_2$  flake coated with one or more metal oxides.
12. **(Previously presented)** A non-dusting homogeneous pigment composition according to Claim 11, wherein the effect pigment is a pearl luster pigment of  $\text{TiO}_2$  and/or  $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$  coated on mica.

13. **(Previously presented)** A non-dusting homogeneous pigment composition according to Claim 11, wherein the effect pigment is a pigment of  $\text{SiO}_2$  flake coated with  $\text{TiO}_2$  and/or  $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$ .
14. **(Previously presented)** A non-dusting homogeneous pigment composition according to claim 10, wherein the styrene-modified polyacrylate is an  $\alpha$ -methylstyrene-modified polyacrylate.
15. **(Previously presented)** A non-dusting homogeneous pigment composition according to claim 11, wherein the styrene-modified polyacrylate is an  $\alpha$ -methylstyrene-modified polyacrylate.
16. **(Previously presented)** A non-dusting homogeneous pigment composition according to claim 12, wherein the styrene-modified polyacrylate is an  $\alpha$ -methylstyrene-modified polyacrylate.
17. **(Previously presented)** A non-dusting homogeneous pigment composition according to claim 13, wherein the styrene-modified polyacrylate is an  $\alpha$ -methylstyrene-modified polyacrylate.
18. **(Previously presented)** A non-dusting homogeneous pigment composition according to claim 10, which further comprises at least one: defoamer, surface-active substance, wetting agent, anti-settling agent, levelling agent, siccative or thixotropic agent.

19. (Currently amended) A dry material produced ~~from the non-dusting homogeneous pigment composition of claim 10~~ by tableting, briquetting, pelletizing, fluidized-bed granulating, granulating, spray-granulating or extruding ~~the a pigment composition, optionally in the presence of a solvent, and, optionally, freeing the dry material from the solvent,~~ wherein the pigment composition is a non-dusting homogeneous pigment composition, comprising:

- ≥ 40% by weight of one or more effect pigments,
- 0.5 - 59.5% by weight of a styrene-modified polyacrylate having an acid number > 90 mg KOH/g,
- 0.5 - 50% by weight of water and/or an organic solvent or solvent mixture,
- 0 - 10% by weight of a neutralizing agent, and
- 0 - 10% by weight of a modifying agent.

20. (Currently amended) A dry material ~~produced from the non-dusting homogeneous pigment composition of claim 11 by tableting, briquetting, pelletizing, fluidized bed granulating, granulating, spray granulating or extruding the pigment composition, optionally in the presence of a solvent, and, optionally, freeing the dry material from the solvent~~ according to claim 19, wherein the effect pigment is a pearl luster pigment and/or an SiO<sub>2</sub> flake coated with one or more metal oxides.

21. (Currently amended) A dry material ~~produced from the non-dusting homogeneous pigment composition of claim 12 by tableting, briquetting, pelletizing, fluidized bed granulating, granulating, spray granulating or extruding the pigment~~

~~composition, optionally in the presence of a solvent, and, optionally, freeing the dry material from the solvent according to claim 19, wherein the effect pigment is a pearl luster pigment of  $\text{TiO}_2$  and/or  $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$  coated on mica.~~

22. (Currently amended) A dry material ~~produced from the non-dusting homogeneous pigment composition of claim 13 by tableting, briquetting, pelletizing, fluidized bed granulating, granulating, spray granulating or extruding the pigment composition, optionally in the presence of a solvent, and, optionally, freeing the dry material from the solvent according to claim 19, wherein the effect pigment is a pigment of  $\text{SiO}_2$  flake coated with  $\text{TiO}_2$  and/or  $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$ .~~
23. (Currently amended) A dry material ~~produced from the non-dusting homogeneous pigment composition of claim 14 by tableting, briquetting, pelletizing, fluidized bed granulating, granulating, spray granulating or extruding the pigment composition, optionally in the presence of a solvent, and, optionally, freeing the dry material from the solvent according to claim 19, wherein the styrene-modified polyacrylate is an  $\alpha$ -methylstyrene-modified polyacrylate.~~
24. (Previously presented) A paint, varnish, printing ink, plastic, automotive finish or powder coating composition, comprising a dry material according to claim 19.
25. (Previously presented) A non-dusting homogeneous pigment composition according to Claim 10, wherein at least one effect pigment is a pigment based on a

platelet-shaped and transparent or semi-transparent substrate or a metal effect pigment.

26. (Canceled)

27. (Previously presented) A non-dusting homogeneous pigment composition according to Claim 10, wherein at least one effect pigment is a pigment based on mica or SiO<sub>2</sub> flakes.

28. (Previously presented) A non-dusting homogeneous pigment composition according to Claim 10, wherein the composition comprises 5 to 40% by weight of the styrene-modified polyacrylate having an acid number > 90 mg KOH/g.

29. (Previously presented) A non-dusting homogeneous pigment composition according to Claim 10, wherein the styrene-modified polyacrylate has an acid number > 100 mg KOH/g.

30. (Canceled)